

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

MARTINEZ et al.

Serial No.: Not yet assigned

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For: DISTAL FILTRATION DEVICES AND
METHODS OF USE DURING AORTIC
PROCEDURES

Group Art Unit: Not yet assigned

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Before examination and before the calculation of claim fees, please enter the following
amendments.

In the Claims:

Please cancel claims 18–20, 22–31, 33–43 and 45–47, without prejudice.

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REMARKS

Applicants request entry of the above amendment before examination and before calculation of claim fees for the above-identified application.

Attached hereto is a marked-up version of the changes made to the specification and claims by the current amendment. The attached page is captioned "Version with Markings to Show Changes Made."

Respectfully submitted,

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In the Claims:

Claims 18–20, 22–31, 33–43, and 43–47 have been cancelled, without prejudice.